

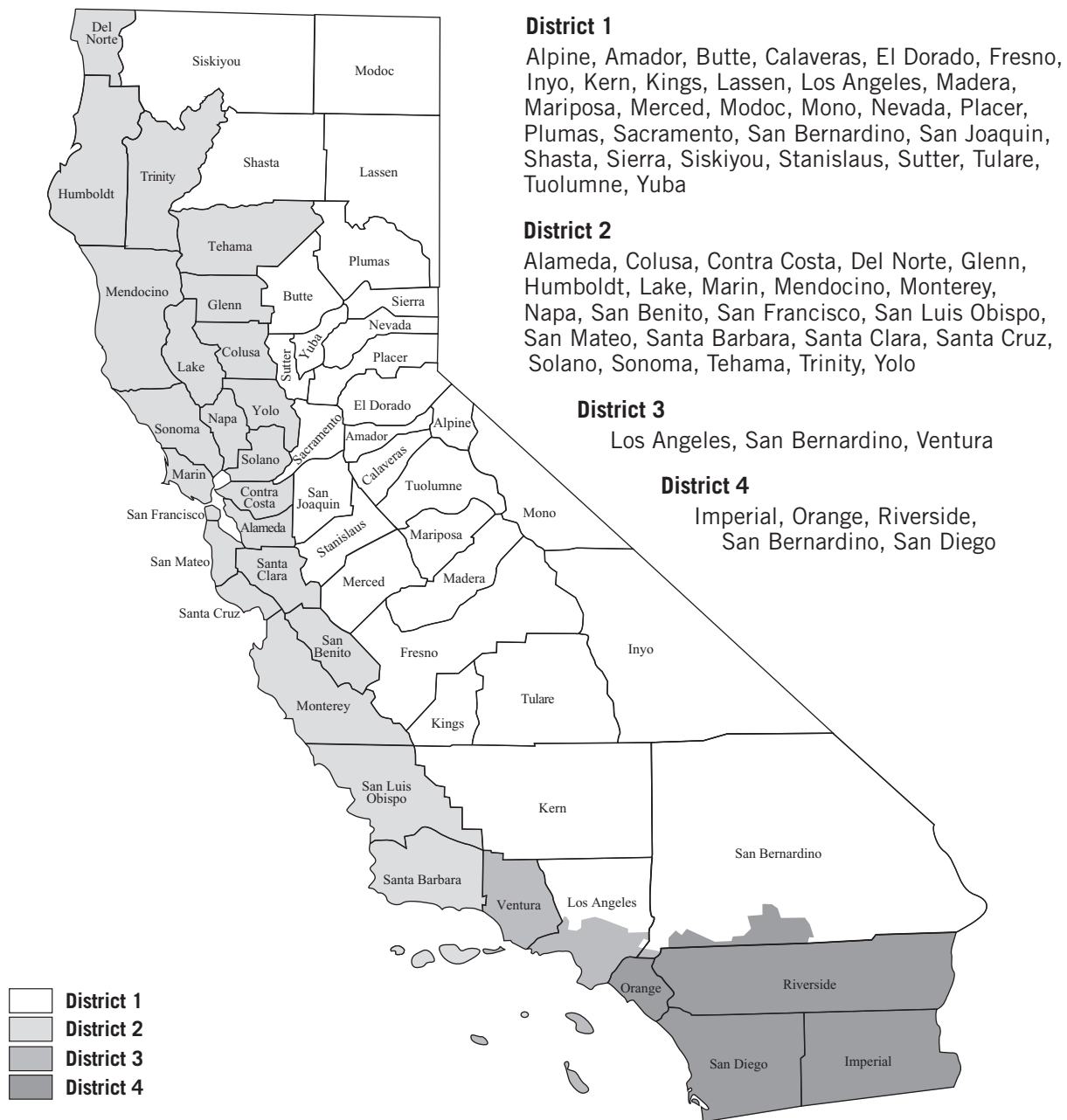
VOTER INFORMATION

The following information may be included in the
November 6, 2018, General Election
Voter Information Guide.

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CALIFORNIA BOARD OF EQUALIZATION DISTRICTS

Counties in Each Board of Equalization District



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VOTER BILL OF RIGHTS

YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS:

- 1** **The right to vote if you are a registered voter.**
You are eligible to vote if you are:
 - a U.S. citizen living in California
 - at least 18 years old
 - registered where you currently live
 - not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony
 - not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
- 2** **The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.** You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.
- 3** **The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**
- 4** **The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- 5** **The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake,** if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:
 - Ask an elections official at a polling place** for a new ballot,
 - Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot** for a new one at an elections office or at your polling place, or
 - Vote using a provisional ballot.**
- 6** **The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
- 7** **The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place** in California.
- 8** **The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.
- 9** **The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures** and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.
- 10** **The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.
 -  On the web at **www.sos.ca.gov**
 -  By phone at **(800) 345-VOTE (8683)**
 -  By email at **elections@sos.ca.gov**

**IF YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE BEEN DENIED ANY OF THESE RIGHTS, CALL THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S
CONFIDENTIAL TOLL-FREE VOTER HOTLINE AT (800) 345-VOTE (8683).**

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DATES TO REMEMBER!



REMEMBER TO VOTE!

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October 22, 2018

Last day to register to vote. You can “Conditionally” register and vote at your county elections office after the 15-day voter registration deadline.

October 30, 2018

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About Ballot Measures

What is a state ballot measure?

A state ballot measure, also known as a proposition, is a proposed law that requires voter approval.

A majority (at least 50% +1) of the votes is needed to pass.

It can be put before voters by:

- The State Legislature
- Citizens using the “initiative” process

There are several types of state ballot measures. The November 6, 2018, General Election ballot includes the following types of ballot measures.

Initiative

- Often called “direct democracy”
- Can be used to create or change laws or amend the California Constitution or call for the issuance of general obligation bonds
- Proponents must gather petition signatures of registered voters to place an initiative measure on the ballot
- A majority (at least 50% +1) of the votes is needed to pass

Legislative Bond Measure

To be enacted, a bill that calls for the issuance of general obligation bonds (money the state borrows to pay primarily for infrastructure projects such as roads, educational facilities, prisons, parks, water projects, and office buildings) must:

- Be adopted in each house of the Legislature by a two-thirds vote
- Be signed by the governor
- Obtain a majority (at least 50% +1) of the votes to pass

Whenever there is a bond measure on the ballot, an overview of California’s bond debt must appear in the Voter Information Guide.

Legislative Initiative Amendment

An amendment to a law that was previously enacted through the initiative process must:

- Be approved by a majority vote of each house of the Legislature
- Obtain a majority (at least 50% +1) of the votes to pass

An amendment to a Legislative Initiative Amendment may not require a vote of the people if the original measure specifically permits legislative amendment or repeal without voter approval.

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Assistance for Voters with Disabilities

Check your county Voter Information Guide



Your county Voter Information Guide will:

- Describe how persons with disabilities can vote privately and independently
- Display a wheelchair symbol if your polling place is accessible to voters with disabilities

At the polling place or vote center

If you need help marking your ballot, you may choose up to two people to help you. This person cannot be your:

- Employer or anyone who works for your employer
- Labor union leader or anyone who works for your labor union

Curbside voting allows you park as close as possible to the voting area. Elections officials will bring you a roster to sign, a ballot, and any other voting materials you may need, whether you are actually at a curb or in a car.

Contact your county elections office to see if curbside voting is available at your polling place or vote center.

Some counties offer an accessible option called RAVBM (remote accessible vote-by-mail). RAVBM allows voters with disabilities to receive their ballots at home and mark them independently and privately before sending them back to elections officials. Contact your county elections official to see if this option is offered in your county.

Vote centers are available for voters living in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, and Sacramento counties. Visit VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov or see page for more information on the Voter's Choice Act and vote centers. All vote centers are required to be accessible to voters with disabilities and will have accessible voting machines.

Audio and large print Voter Information Guides

These guides are available at no cost in English, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.

To order:



Call the Secretary of State's toll-free voter hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683)

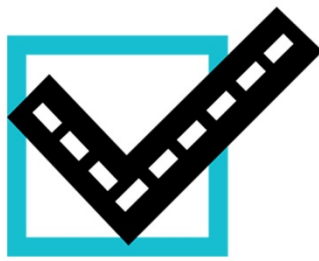


Visit www.sos.ca.gov



Download an audio MP3 version at voterguide.sos.ca.gov/en/audio

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California Motor Voter

The California Motor Voter program is making registering to vote at the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) more convenient and secure. All eligible individuals completing driver license or ID card or change of address transactions at the DMV will be registered to vote with the California Secretary of State unless they “opt out” of automatic voter registration.

The California Motor Voter program applies to Californians who are 18 years or older and meet the following criteria:

- A United States citizen and a resident of California.
- Not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony.
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court.

Note: Voter pre-registration is available for those 16 and 17 years of age. Their voter registration will become active automatically when they turn 18.

Before visiting a DMV field office, we recommend making an appointment. Visit <https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/portal/foa/welcome> to get started. You can also use DMV online services (<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/dmv/online/vcs>) to renew your driver license or ID card or change your address.

If you indicate you’re eligible to vote, once you complete your driver license or state ID renewal form transaction online, by mail, or in person at the DMV, your voter information is then transmitted securely and electronically to the California Secretary of State.

Please note that drivers with AB 60 driver licenses are not eligible to participate in the California Motor Voter program and are not eligible to vote.

For more information, visit MotorVoter.sos.ca.gov.

To register to vote online, visit RegisterToVote.ca.gov.

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County Elections Offices

Alameda County

(510) 272-6933

www.acgov.org/rov/index.htm

Alpine County

(530) 694-2281

www.alpinecountyca.gov

Amador County

(209) 223-6465

<http://www.co.amador.ca.us/government/recorder-clerk>

Butte County

(530) 538-7761 or (800) 894-7761

(within Butte county)

www.buttevotes.net

Calaveras County

(209) 754-6376 or (209) 754-6375

www.calaverasgov.us

Colusa County

(530) 458-0500 or (877) 458-0501

www.countyofcolusa.org/elections

Contra Costa County

(925) 335-7800

www.contracostacore.us

Del Norte County

(707) 465-0383 or (707) 464-7216

www.co.del-norte.ca.us

El Dorado County

(530) 621-7480 or (800) 730-4322

www.edcgov.us/Elections

Fresno County

(559) 600-8683

www.fresnovote.com

Glenn County

(530) 934-6414

www.countyofglenn.net/dept/elections/welcome

Humboldt County

(707) 445-7481

www.humboldtgov.org/elctions

Imperial County

(442) 265-1060 or (442) 265-1074

www.co.imperial.ca.us

Inyo County

(760) 878-0224

<http://elections.inyocounty.us/>

Kern County

(661) 868-3590

www.kernvote.com

Kings County

(559) 852-2439

www.countyofkings.com

Lake County

(707) 263-2372

www.co.lake.ca.us/Government/Directory/ROV.htm

Lassen County

(530) 251-8217

www.lassencounty.org/dept/registrar-voters-elections

Los Angeles County

(800) 815-2666

www.lavote.net

Madera County

(559) 675-7782 or (800) 435-0509

www.votemadera.com

Marin County

(415) 473-6456

marinvotes.org

Mariposa County

(209) 966-2007

www.mariposacounty.org

Mendocino County

(707) 234-6819

www.mendocinocounty.org/government/assessor-county-clerk-recorder-elections/elections

Merced County

(209) 385-7541 or (800) 561-0619

www.mercedelections.org

Modoc County

(530) 233-6205

www.co.modoc.ca.us/departments/elections

Mono County

(760) 932-5537 or (760) 932-5530

monocounty.ca.gov/elections

Monterey County

(831) 796-1499 or (866) 887-9274

www.montereycountyelections.us/

Napa County

(707) 253-4321

www.countyofnapa.org

Nevada County

(530) 265-1298

<http://www.mynevadacounty.com/1847/Elections-Voting>

Orange County

(714) 567-7600

www.ocvote.com

Placer County

(530) 886-5650

www.placerelections.com

Plumas County

(530) 283-6256 or (844) 676-VOTE

www.countyofplumas.com

Riverside County

(951) 486-7200

www.voteinfo.net

Sacramento County

(916) 875-6451

www.elections.saccounty.net

San Benito County

(831) 636-4016

sbcvote.us

San Bernardino County

(909) 387-8300

www.sbcountyelections.com

San Diego County

(858) 565-5800 or (800) 696-0136

www.sdvote.com/

San Francisco County

(415) 554-4375

sfelections.org

San Joaquin County

(209) 468-2890 or (209) 468-2885

www.sjcrov.org

San Luis Obispo County

(805) 781-5228 or (805) 781-5080

www.slovote.com

San Mateo County

(650) 312-5222

www.smcare.org

Santa Barbara County

(805) 568-2200

www.sbcvvote.com

Santa Clara County

(408) 299-8683 or (866) 430-8683

www.sccvvote.org

Santa Cruz County

(831) 454-2060

www.votescount.com

Shasta County

(530) 225-5730 or (888) 560-8683

www.elections.co.shasta.ca.us

Sierra County

(530) 289-3295

www.sierracounty.ca.gov

Siskiyou County

(530) 842-8084 or

(888) 854-2000 ext. 8084

www.sisqvotes.org

Solano County

(707) 784-6675

www.solanocounty.com/elections

Sonoma County

(707) 565-6800

vote.sonoma-county.org

Stanislaus County

(209) 525-5211

<http://www.stanvote.com>

Sutter County

(530) 822-7122

www.suttercounty.org/elections

Tehama County

(530) 527-8190

www.co.tehama.ca.us

Trinity County

(530) 623-1220

www.trinitycounty.org/index.aspx?page=58

Tulare County

(559) 624-7300

<http://www.tularecoelections.org/elections/>

Tuolumne County

(209) 533-5570

www.co.tuolumne.ca.us/elections

Ventura County

(805) 654-2664

www.venturavote.org

Yolo County

(530) 666-8133

yoloelections.org

Yuba County

(530) 749-7855

www.yubaelections.org

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Conditional Voter Registration

Did you forget to register? No problem! Did you know that during the period of 14 days prior to Election Day through and including Election Day, you can go to the office of your county elections official or a vote center to conditionally register to vote and vote? This process is called Conditional Voter Registration (CVR). Here's how it works:

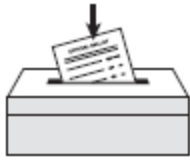
1. Visit your county elections office or a vote center (a full list of county contact information can be found here: <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices/>)
2. Complete a voter registration card or register online at RegisterToVote.ca.gov
3. Vote your CVR provisional ballot at your county elections office or vote center

Once the county elections official processes the affidavit of registration, determines that you're eligible to register, and validates your information, the registration becomes permanent and your CVR provisional ballot will be counted.


To learn more visit <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/conditional-voter-reg/>

Vote Centers are available for voters living in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, and Sacramento counties. Visit VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov or see page  for more information on the Voter's Choice Act and vote centers.

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Election Day Information

Polls and vote centers are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 6. If you are in line before 8:00 p.m., you can still vote. Do you live in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, or Sacramento county? Visit VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov or see page  for additional information on vote centers and ways you can vote in these counties.

5 ways to find your polling place or a vote center:



Check the county Voter Information Guide your county elections official mailed to you



Call (800) 345-VOTE (8683)



Online at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/polling-place or VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov




Text *Vote* to GOVOTE (468683)



Download the “Vote California” mobile app (available at the iOS or Android store)

Just Moved?

If you moved to your new address after **October 22, 2018**, and did not re-register, you may vote at your former polling place. Or, you may “conditionally” register and vote at your county elections office or vote center after the October 22, 2018, voter registration deadline. Visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/conditional-voter-reg/ or see page  of this guide for more information.

Assistance for voters with disabilities

State and federal laws require polling places and vote centers to be physically accessible to voters with disabilities. County elections officials inspect each site and often make temporary modifications for Election Day. Every person who works in a polling place or vote center is trained in election laws and voter rights, including the need to make reasonable modifications of policies and procedures to ensure equal access.

State and federal laws require that all voters be able to cast their ballots privately and independently. Each polling place or vote center must have at least one voting machine that allows all voters, including those who are blind or visually impaired, to cast a ballot without assistance. The voting machine permits voters to verify their vote choices and, if there is an error, allows voters to correct those choices before submitting their ballot.

Some counties offer an accessible option called RAVBM (remote accessible vote-by-mail). RAVBM allows voters with disabilities to receive their ballots at home and mark them independently and privately before sending them back to elections officials. Contact your county elections official to see if this option is offered in your county.

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Elections in California

The Top Two Candidates Open Primary Act requires that all candidates for a voter-nominated office be listed on the same ballot. Previously known as partisan offices, voter-nominated offices are state legislative offices, U.S. congressional offices, and state constitutional offices.

In both the open primary and general elections, you can vote for any candidate regardless of what party preference you indicated on your voter registration form. In the primary election, the two candidates receiving the most votes—regardless of party preference—move on to the general election. If a candidate receives a majority of the vote (50 percent + 1), a general election still must be held.

California's open primary system does not apply to candidates running for U.S. President, county central committee, or local offices.

Write-in candidates for voter-nominated offices can still run in the primary election. However, a write-in candidate can only move on to the general election if the candidate is one of the top two vote-getters in the primary election. Additionally, there is no independent nomination process for a general election.

Superintendent of Public Instruction is a nonpartisan office. If a candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction were to receive a majority of the vote (at least 50 percent +1) at the primary election, then that candidate would be elected, and no general election would be held. Additional information on nonpartisan offices can be found below.

California law requires the following information to be printed in this guide.

Voter-Nominated Offices

Political parties are not entitled to formally nominate candidates for voter-nominated offices at the primary election. A candidate nominated for a voter-nominated office at the primary election is the nominee of the people and not the official nominee of any party at the general election. A candidate for nomination to a voter-nominated office shall have his or her qualified party preference, or lack of qualified party preference, stated on the ballot, but the party preference designation is selected solely by the candidate and is shown for the information of the voters only. It does not mean the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party designated, or that there is an affiliation between the party and candidate, and no candidate nominated by the voters shall be deemed to be the officially nominated candidate of any political party. In the county voter information guide, parties may list the candidates for voter-nominated offices who have received the party's official endorsement.

Any voter may vote for any candidate for a voter-nominated office, if they meet the other qualifications required to vote for that office. The top two vote-getters at the primary election move on to the general election for the voter-nominated office even if both candidates have specified the same party preference designation. No party is entitled to have a candidate with

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its party preference designation move on to the general election, unless the candidate is one of the two highest vote-getters at the primary election.

Nonpartisan Offices

Political parties are not entitled to nominate candidates for nonpartisan offices at the primary election, and a candidate at the primary election is not the official nominee of any party for the specific office at the general election. A candidate for nomination to a nonpartisan office may not designate his or her party preference, or lack of party preference, on the ballot. The top two vote-getters at the primary election move on to the general election for the nonpartisan office.


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Find Your Polling Place or a Vote Center

Polling places and vote centers are established by county elections officials. Look for your polling place address or vote center locations in the county Voter Information Guide that you receive in the mail a few weeks before Election Day.

You may also visit the Secretary of State's website at VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov or www.sos.ca.gov/elections/polling-place or call the toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

You can also text *Vote* to GOVOTE (468683) to find the location of your polling place. Or you can download the Vote California mobile app from the iOS or Android stores.

If you live in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, or Sacramento counties, you can vote in any vote center in your county. Visit VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov or see page  of this guide for more information.

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Footers

Arguments REQUIRED AS WRITTEN

Arguments printed on this page are the opinions of the authors, and have not been checked for accuracy by any official agency.

(California Elections Code section 9086)

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Text to appear prior to each ballot measure (new requirement per AB 606):

The text of this measure can be found on the Secretary of State's website at <http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov>.

Text to appear after each ballot measure:

If you desire a copy of the full text of the state measure, please call the Secretary of State at (800) 345-VOTE (8683) and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

Analysis

For the full text of Proposition _____, see page _____.

Analysis REQUIRED

Text to appear after the analysis of each measure (Required per SB 1253):

Visit <http://www.sos.ca.gov/campaign-lobbying/cal-access-resources/measure-contributions/2018-ballot-measure-contribution-totals/> for a list of committees primarily formed to support or oppose this measure. Visit <http://www.fppc.ca.gov/transparency/top-contributors/nov-18-gen.html> to access the committee's top 10 contributors.

Political Party Statement of Purpose

The order of the statements was determined by randomized drawing. Statements on this page were supplied by political parties and have not been checked for accuracy by any official agency.

Candidate Statements

The order of the statements was determined by randomized drawing. Statements on this page were supplied by the candidates and have not been checked for accuracy. Each statement was voluntarily submitted and paid for by the candidate. Candidates who did not submit statements could otherwise be qualified to appear on the ballot.

Quick-Reference Guide (next to "Summary")

Put on the Ballot by the Legislature

Put on the Ballot by Petition Signatures

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Honor a Veteran on Election Day

The “Honor Veterans. Vote.” program provides California citizens the opportunity to pay tribute and dedicate their vote to a veteran or active duty service member.

By submitting your dedication, you can choose to receive a certificate or a lapel pin to proudly display appreciation for your honored veteran or active duty service member. You can also choose to have an email notification sent to the veteran or active duty service member you are honoring, notifying them of your tribute.

You may honor more than one veteran or active duty service member, but only one lapel pin will be issued per voter. We encourage you to show your appreciation for our service members by wearing the lapel pin when you vote. To submit your dedication, go to honorveterans.sos.ca.gov.



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How to vote by mail

Who can vote by mail?

Any registered voter can vote by mail. You must request a vote-by-mail ballot from your county elections official at least 7 days before the election, or you can register as a permanent vote-by-mail voter and a ballot will automatically be mailed to you prior to each election.

If you live in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, or Sacramento counties, a vote-by-mail ballot will automatically be mailed to you. Visit [VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov](https://www.voterschoice.sos.ca.gov) or see page of this guide for additional information.

How to get your vote-by-mail ballot

You must request your vote-by-mail ballot no later than **October 30**. **Here's how:**



Fill out the vote-by-mail application in your county Voter Information Guide

OR



Go to www.sos.ca.gov/elections/where-and-how/#get-a-ballot and fill out the vote-by-mail application

How to return your vote-by-mail ballot

After marking your choices on your vote-by-mail ballot, place it in the official envelope provided by your county elections office and seal it. **Sign** the outside of the envelope where directed and **add postage**.

To ensure your ballot arrives by the deadline, return it either:



By mail – must be postmarked on or before **November 6** and received by your county elections office no later than **November 9**



In person – drop off at your county elections office, any polling place in California, or any ballot drop off location before the polls close at 8:00 p.m. on **November 6**

A third party may return the ballot for you to any polling place or elections office within your county on Election Day.

Even if you receive your vote-by-mail ballot and envelope, you can still vote in person at your polling place on Election Day. Bring your vote-by-mail ballot to the polling place and give it to a poll worker to exchange for a polling place ballot. If you do not have your vote-by-mail ballot and envelope, you

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may have to vote using a provisional ballot. This ensures that you have not already cast a ballot. (See page [10](#) of this guide for more information about provisional ballots.)

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Tips for California's Military and Overseas Voters

Taking part in elections is more convenient than ever for Californians serving in the military or living outside the United States. It begins when you register to vote as a military or overseas voter and receive election materials by mail, fax, or email.

- **Start early.** California's county elections officials begin sending ballots to military and overseas voters 60 days before Election Day. Fill out a voter registration application early at RegisterToVote.ca.gov to ensure that you receive your voting materials in time.

- **Know your options.** When registering to vote as a military or overseas voter, you can choose to have your ballot mailed, faxed, or emailed to you. You may return your voted ballot to your county elections official by mail or, in certain circumstances, by fax. If you meet the requirements to return your ballot by fax, you must also fax the Oath of Voter form (available from your county elections official) waiving your right to a confidential ballot.

- **Stay in touch.** Once you register as a military or overseas voter, you will continue to receive a ballot and election materials from your county elections official before each election. We encourage you to update your registration each year, if needed; however, you must re-register to vote if you change your address, your name, or your political party preference, or if you do not participate in four consecutive statewide general elections. Visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/military-overseas-voters/ for more election resources designed especially for you.

Dates to remember:

October 22: Last day to register to vote and request your ballot

October 30: Last day to update or change how you want to receive your ballot

November 6: Election Day. Mailed ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day **and** received by your county elections office no later than **November 9**. Faxed ballots must be delivered to your county elections office by close of polls, no later than 8:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time, on Election Day.

For more information contact:

California Secretary of State



(800) 345-VOTE (8683)



www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/military-overseas-voters/

Federal Voting Assistance Program



(800) 438-VOTE (8683)



www.fvap.gov

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Check Your Voter Status Online

Visit the Secretary of State's My Voter Status page at VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov, where you can check your voter status, find your polling place or a vote center, and much more.

Use **My Voter Status** to:

- See if you are registered to vote and if so, in what county
- Check your political party preference
- Find your polling place
- Find a vote center (for voters living in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, and Sacramento counties)
- Find upcoming elections in your area
- Receive your state Voter Information Guide (VIG) by email before each statewide election (see below for more information on opting-out of the VIG)
- Find contact information for your county elections office
- Check the status of your vote-by-mail ballot or provisional ballot

To check your voter status you will need some personal information like first name, last name, California driver license or identification card number, social security number (last 4 numbers), and date of birth.

You can use the My Voter Status tool to opt out of receiving the state VIG. However, if another registered voter in your household requests to get it by mail, a state VIG will still be mailed to your address. If you have opted out and do not received the state VIG in the mail, information on statewide candidates and ballot measures will still be available at the VIG website (<http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov>) before each statewide election.

Go to VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov to get started.



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New to voting? Get started with 3 easy steps!

1. Register

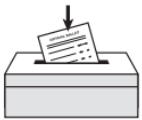
- Register to vote by **October 22, 2018**. You can register online at RegisterToVote.ca.gov or have a voter registration form mailed to you by calling the Secretary of State's Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683). You can also pick up a voter registration form at your county elections office, local post office, or library.
- You can "conditionally" register and vote at your county elections office or at a vote center after the 15-day voter registration deadline. Visit <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/conditional-voter-reg/> or see page **XX** of this guide for more information.
- You are eligible to register to vote in California if you are a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age on Election Day, not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony, and not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court.

2. Get informed!

- As a registered voter you will receive two information resources in the mail:
 - this guide, which contains information on statewide ballot measures and candidates running for office. To receive your guide in a different language, call (800) 345-VOTE (8683) or visit <http://www.voterguide.sos.ca.gov>.
 - the county Voter Information Guide, which contains a sample ballot, information about local races and measures, and your polling place location.
- Additional information can be found at the Secretary of State's website www.sos.ca.gov:
 - State campaign contributions - <http://www.sos.ca.gov/campaign-lobbying>

3. Vote!

- You can vote in person or by mail:



In person: Polling places are established by county elections officials and are open from **7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2018**. To vote early before Election Day, contact your county elections office (see page **XX** of this guide for county contact information).



By mail: Apply for a vote-by-mail ballot no later than **October 30, 2018**. Vote-by-mail applications are in your county Voter Information Guide or online at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/where-and-how/#get-a-ballot. You can also call **(800) 345-VOTE (8683)** to have one mailed to you. Vote-by-mail ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than 3 days after Election Day. Or, you may personally deliver your ballot to your county elections office, any polling place in California, or any ballot drop off location in California by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Option for voters with disabilities: Some counties offer an accessible option called RAVBM (remote accessible vote-by-mail). RAVBM allows voters with disabilities to receive their ballots at home and mark them independently and privately before sending them back to elections officials. Contact your county elections official to see if this option is offered in your county.

If you live in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, or Sacramento county, visit VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov or see page **XX of this guide for more information on the Voter's Choice Act and vote centers.**

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Text if No Statement is Submitted

For Ballot Measure Arguments

No argument against Proposition XX was submitted.

No contact information was provided.

For Candidates

No statements were submitted by the candidates running for the office of U.S. Senate in the November 6, 2018, General Election.

No statements were submitted by the candidates running for the office of Governor/Lieutenant Governor/Secretary of State/Controller/Treasurer/Attorney General/Insurance Commissioner/Board of Equalization/Superintendent of Public Instruction in the November 6, 2018, General Election.

No photograph submitted.

For removal of proposition by court order

On_____, 2018, Proposition ____ was removed from the ballot by order of the California Supreme Court.

About Ballot Arguments

The Secretary of State does not write ballot arguments. Ballot arguments are written by the proponents and opponents of the ballot measures. (California Elections Code sections 9041, 9042, and 9064)

Supplemental Voter Information Guide

The deadline for ballot measures to qualify for this election was June 28, 2018. State law required this voter guide to be printed in August 2018.

If the Legislature and the Governor add measures to the November 6, 2018, General Election ballot, the Secretary of State will prepare and mail a supplemental Voter Information Guide to you. The Secretary of State will also post updated information at <http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov>.

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Earn money and make a difference – serve as a Poll Worker on Election Day!

Gain hands-on experience and take part in the single most important day in our democracy – Election Day!

Who can be a poll worker?

To serve as a poll worker you must be:

- ✓ A U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident; or
- ✓ An eligible high school student

What does a poll worker do?

- ✓ Sets up and closes a polling place
- ✓ Helps voters understand their rights
- ✓ Protects ballots and voting equipment

Why be a poll worker?

- ✓ Get involved and assist voters
- ✓ Contribute to your community and meet your neighbors
- ✓ Earn extra money (amount varies by county)

High School Poll Workers

To serve as a high school poll worker, a student must:

- ✓ Be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident
- ✓ Be at least 16 years old on Election Day
- ✓ Attend a public or private high school
- ✓ Have at least a 2.5 grade point average
- ✓ Get permission from your parents and school
- ✓ Attend a training session

For more information about being a poll worker, contact your county elections office (see page **XX** of this guide for county contact information), call the California Secretary of State at (800) 345-VOTE (8683), or visit www.sos.ca.gov.

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Pre-register at sixteen. Vote at eighteen.

Online pre-registration is now available for eligible 16 and 17 year olds at RegisterToVote.ca.gov or via the paper voter registration form. California youth who pre-register to vote will have their registration become active once they turn 18 years old.

The new online pre-registration applies to California youth who are 16 or 17 and meet the following criteria:

- A United States citizen and a resident of California
- Not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

Pre-register in 4 easy steps:

1. Visit RegisterToVote.ca.gov
2. Click the “Pre-register to Vote” button
3. Become automatically registered on your 18th birthday
4. Cast your ballot on Election Day!

What is Pre-registration?

If you are 16 or 17 years old and meet all other voter eligibility requirements, you can pre-register to vote at RegisterToVote.ca.gov.

Simply complete the online pre-registration application and on your 18th birthday, you will automatically be registered to vote.



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Promote the Vote with Democracy at Work

The Democracy at Work program invites California employers to promote the vote! Businesses, government agencies, and nonprofit groups can partner with the Secretary of State's office to strengthen our democracy by reaching out to employees, customers, or members to encourage them to register and vote. Simply sign up with the Secretary of State and you will be provided with nonpartisan outreach tools, featured on the Democracy at Work webpage, and have the opportunity to join in special public events.

There are 3 easy steps to participate:

1. Sign up - To take action and learn more about how your workplace can be a champion for civic participation, visit our webpage:
www.sos.ca.gov/democracyatwork
2. Send out - There are many ways to promote the vote. You decide your level of participation and can choose tools that include sample messages for email or social media, posters, and many others.
3. Stay involved - Join our list of partners to be highlighted on our webpage, be invited to participate in special events, or be creative and propose your own additional activities.

Get involved today! Contact the Secretary of State to learn more.



(916) 651-3070



DemocracyAtWork@sos.ca.gov



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Provisional voting

If your name is not on the voter list at your polling place or vote center, you have the right to vote a provisional ballot.

What is a provisional ballot?

A provisional ballot is a regular ballot that is placed in a special envelope prior to being put in the ballot box.

Who casts a provisional ballot?

Provisional ballots are ballots cast by voters who believe they are registered to vote even though their names are not on the official voter registration list at the polling place or vote center.

Vote by mail voters may need to cast provisional ballots if the voter wants to vote in person at a polling place or vote center, but did not receive their ballot or does not have their ballot with them.

Will my provisional ballot be counted?

Your provisional ballot will be counted after elections officials have confirmed that you are registered to vote in that county and you did not already vote in that election.

You may vote a provisional ballot at any polling place or vote center in the county in which you are registered to vote, however, only the elections contests you are eligible to vote for will be counted.

How can you check the status of your provisional ballot?



You can check the status of your provisional ballot at [VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov](https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov)

Alternatively, every voter who casts a provisional ballot has the right to find out from their county elections official if the ballot was counted and, if not, the reason why it was not counted.



Visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-status/ for a list of county contacts and information on how to check the status of your provisional ballot.

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The Voter's Choice Act - The Future of Voting in California

Starting in 2018, all registered voters in Sacramento, San Mateo, Madera, Nevada, and Napa counties will receive their ballot in the mail weeks before the election. Voters in participating counties will have 3 choices for how to vote:

Vote by Mail: You can mail your completed ballot as soon as you receive it.

Drop Box: You can drop off your completed ballot at any county dropbox as soon as you receive it. No postage is required at dropboxes.

Vote Center: Voter centers will replace polling places. You can vote in person at any vote center in your county. Vote centers will be open for a minimum of 11 days, up to and including Election Day.

At every vote center you can:

- Vote in person
- Register to vote or update your registration.
- Drop off your completed ballot
- Get a replacement ballot
- Vote using an accessible voting machine
- Get help and voting materials in multiple languages

Why the Change?

The California Voter's Choice Act became law in 2016 to make voting more convenient and accessible. You can choose how, when, and where you vote.

When do I vote?

You will receive your ballot in the mail weeks before the election. After completing your ballot, you may return it by mail or at any county dropbox or vote center. Vote centers will be open for in-person voting for 11 days, up to and including Election Day.

Where do I find a dropbox or vote center?

VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov

What if I don't receive my ballot?

Visit any vote center in your county or call your county elections official to request a replacement.

What if I'm not in a participating county?

If you live in a county that's not currently participating in the Voter's Choice Act, you will continue to vote either by mail or at a polling place. Contact the Secretary of State's toll-free voter hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683) for more information.



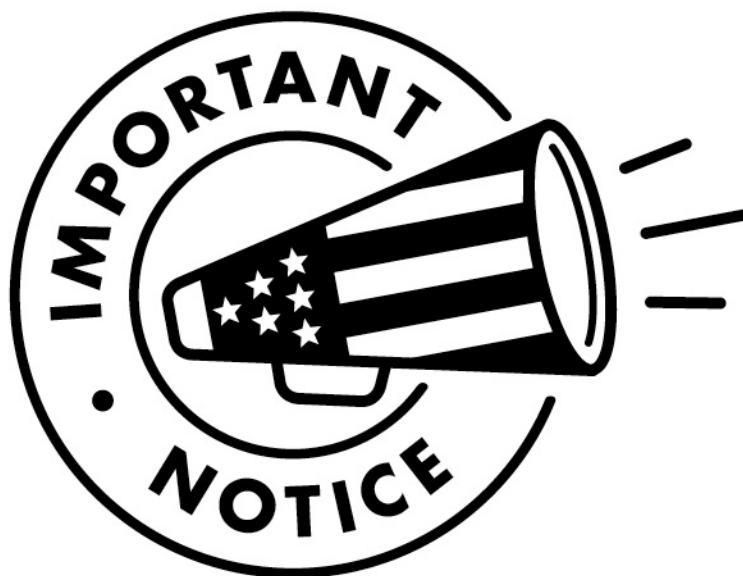
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Top Contributors to Statewide Candidates and Ballot Measures

When a committee (a person or group of people who receive or spend money for the purpose of influencing voters to support or oppose candidates or ballot measures) supports or opposes a ballot measure or candidate and raises at least \$1 million, the committee must report its top 10 contributors to the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC). The committee must update the top 10 list when there is any change.

These lists are available on the FPPC website at
<http://www.fppc.ca.gov/transparency/top-contributors.html>

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The text of proposed laws is not printed in this guide.

However, the text is now available online at
<http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov>.

If you would like a printed copy of the text:



Email the Secretary of State at
vigfeedback@sos.ca.gov



Contact the Secretary of State's toll-free
voter hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

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Visit the Secretary of State's Website to

- Research campaign contributions and lobbying activity
<http://cal-access.sos.ca.gov> OR
powersearch.sos.ca.gov/
- View this voter guide in other languages
<http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov>
- Check your registration status and registration information
VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov
- Find your polling place or a vote center on Election Day
www.sos.ca.gov/elections/polling-place OR
VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov
- Get vote-by-mail ballot information
www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/vote-mail/
- Read helpful information for first-time voters
www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-california
- Watch live election results after polls close on Election Day
<https://vote.sos.ca.gov>
- Learn about exciting improvements to elections in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, and Sacramento counties
VotersChoice.sos.ca.gov

Additional website addresses

www.sos.ca.gov

<http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov>

<http://cal-access.sos.ca.gov/campaign/measures/>

For federal contest information

Visit Federal Election Commission at www.fec.gov for details about money contributed in this contest.

Voter Bill of Rights

For more information about your voting rights, see page of this guide.

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Do I have to show identification to vote?

In *most* cases, California voters *do not* have to show identification before they vote.

You may have to show one form of identification at the polling place if you are voting for the first time after registering by mail or online and you did NOT provide the following on your application:

- State-issued driver license or identification or
- the last four digits of your social security number

Following are some of the acceptable types of identification according to state and federal laws:

- Driver license or state-issued identification
- Passport
- Employee identification
- Military identification
- Student identification
- Health club identification
- Insurance plan identification
- Credit card or debit card

For the full list, see “Polling Place ID Requirements” at <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/hava-id-standards>

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Voter Registration Privacy Information

Safe at Home Confidential Voter Registration Program: Certain voters facing life-threatening situations (i.e., domestic violence, stalking victims) may qualify for confidential voter status. For more information, contact the Secretary of State's Safe at Home program toll-free at (877) 322-5227 or visit www.sos.ca.gov/registries/safe-home/.

Voter Information Privacy: Information on your voter registration affidavit will be used by elections officials to send you official information on the voting process, such as the location of your polling place and the issues and candidates that will appear on the ballot. Commercial use of voter registration information is prohibited by law and is a misdemeanor. Voter information may be provided to a candidate for office, a ballot measure committee, or other person for election, scholarly, journalistic, political, or governmental purposes, as determined by the Secretary of State. Driver license and social security numbers, or your signature as shown on your voter registration card, cannot be released for these purposes. If you have any questions about the use of voter information or wish to report suspected misuse of such information, please call the Secretary of State's Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

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Voter Registration

If you have already registered to vote, you do not need to reregister ***unless*** you change your name, home address, mailing address or if you want to change or select a political party.

You can register to vote online at RegisterToVote.ca.gov, or call the Secretary of State's toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683) to get a form mailed to you.

Voter registration forms can be found at most post offices, libraries, city and county government offices, county elections offices, and the California Secretary of State's Office.

Conditional Voter Registration

During the period of 14 days prior to Election Day and including Election Day, you can go to the office of your county elections official or a vote center to conditionally register to vote and vote. To learn more visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/conditional-voter-reg/.

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Ways to vote

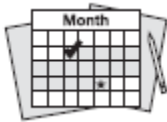


Vote by mail

Request a vote-by-mail ballot by **October 30**.

Return by mail – must be postmarked on or before **November 6** and received by your county elections office no later than **November 9**.

Return in person – to your county elections office or any polling place in California, or ballot drop-off location before 8:00 p.m. on **November 9**.



Vote early in person

Some counties offer early voting at a few locations before Election Day.

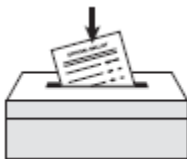
Contact your county elections office to see if they offer early voting.

County contact information can be found on page or by visiting the Secretary of State's website at:
<http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices/>

Vote at the polls on Election Day

Polls are open on Election Day:

November 6 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



The location of your polling place is printed on the back page of the county Voter Information Guide your county elections official mailed to you.

For voters living in Madera, Napa, Nevada, San Mateo, and Sacramento counties, see page of this guide for additional voting options.

Other ways to find your polling place:

- Call (800) 345-VOTE (8683)
- Online at VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov or www.sos.ca.gov/elections/polling-place
- Text Vote to GOVOTE (468683)
- Download "Vote California" on your mobile phone

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Want to see the November 6, 2018, General Election results after the polls close at 8:00 p.m.? Visit the California Secretary of State's Election Results website at <https://vote.sos.ca.gov/>.

The Election Results website is updated every five minutes on Election Night as counties report results to the Secretary of State. County elections officials send semi-official election results to the Secretary of State's websites after the polls close at 8:00 p.m. and continue to send updates at least every two hours until all election day ballots are counted.

Beginning on November 8 through December 6, 2018, the Election Results website will update every day at 5:00 p.m. as counties count the remaining ballots.

The official results of the election will be posted by December 14, 2018, at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/

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VOTE CALIFORNIA

A Mobile Tool for Voting Information

The Vote California App connects you with the essential information you need to cast your ballot.

The app has:

- Information about the November 6, 2018, General Election
- Voter status lookup
- Polling location lookup
- Voter Registration
- Quick guide to propositions

Download the app on your smartphone by simply visiting Google Play or the Apple Store and search "Vote California."

Download it Today!

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Home Screen



Polling Location



Voter Registration

